

# Village Works To Update Bicycle, Pedestrian Plan - Journal and Topics Online: News

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Report

The Arlington Heights Bicycle and Pedestrian Commission is finalizing an update to its Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan with assistance from Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning's (CMAP) Local Technical Assistance (LTA) program.

The comprehensive plan will outline the community's vision for bicycle and pedestrian travel and define policies to help achieve village-wide goals related to access, mobility, health and sustainability. It has been reviewed by the Comprehensive Plan Subcommittee of the Arlington Heights Plan Commission and goes to the plan commission in July.

While previous plans established basic principles for bicycle planning and initial signed bikeway routes, the comprehensive update aims to incorporate current best practices and innovative approaches, emphasize connections with neighboring communities and regional destinations, address safety, access, and mobility issues for cyclists and pedestrians, and adequately reflect the village's focus on transit-oriented development.

The ultimate purpose of this plan, according to village officials, is to provide a vision -- and guide to achieving that vision -- of a village-wide "Complete Streets" network that safely accommodates all users and connects to neighboring communities.

CMAP is the comprehensive regional planning agency for metropolitan Chicago.